

OWEN COUNTY BUILDING DEPARTMENT
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INSPECTIONS REQUIRED

It is the responsibility of the contractor, or owner to call the Building Department to schedule inspections; requiring at least a 24-48 hour notice. All inspections must be attended by either the owner, contractor, or representative of same.

1. **Footer:** Made when footer trenches or basement areas have been excavated and forms erected and grade stakes are set.
 This is done PRIOR to pouring of concrete.
 If the footers are poured before inspection, a soil analysis by a certified engineer will be required before work is allowed to continue.
2. **Foundation:** This is done prior to any backfilling or framing. We will check for any reinforcing steel, the sill plates, anchor bolts, and damp proofing.
3. **Rough-In:** This is done after the framing is installed. We will check the framing, electrical, plumbing, heating, and ventilation prior to any insulation or wall covering being installed.
4. **Final Inspection:** This is done once the project is complete. We will check the electric, plumbing, mechanical fixtures, and all other finished areas (including grading and landscaping).

Failure to comply with any of the above inspections could result in one of the following:

1. Licensed engineer-certifying compliance of missed inspection.
2. No Certificate of Occupancy issued.

Upon completion of the Final Inspection, a “Certificate of Occupancy and Compliance” will be issued. The law requires that the premises not be occupied until the “Certificate of Occupancy and Compliance” is issued.